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There are approximately 11 months left until the 2000 Olympic Games in Sydney. We have much work to do, and our resources will be directed at improving our performance and preparation in Sydney.

Yusuf Tami also participated in the all-around finals and finished 25th.

Ellen Ray, who was the top scoring gymnast at the World Team Trials, finished eighth all-around at the World Championships and seventh place on bars. Vanessa Alter and Kristen Maloney qualified to the all-around finals, however, injuries affected Vanessa's performances during the competition and Kristen was forced to scratch due to an injury sustained during training.

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The holidays are fast approaching and the Junior Olympic competitions are currently in full swing. Good luck to everyone as they strive to improve their routines and become the best gymnasts that they can become!

Happy Holidays.

Bob Colasini

The past several weeks have been filled with major gymnastics events. First the **Transpacific and Tumbling World Championships** took place in San City, South Africa. Jennifer Panfilo earned the USA its first-ever transpacific spot at an Olympic Games, by finishing ninth place at the World Championships. Ryan Weston narrowly missed automatically qualifying a U.S. men's spot at the Olympic Games by finishing 13th in the Olympic selection rankings. However, the International Gymnastics Federation announced that Weston is the first alternate for the Olympic Games.

Next, the **Rhythmic World Championships** took place in Osaka, Japan. Jessica Hovind made the all-around final in her first ever trip to the World Championships. Jessica finished 24th in the all-around which did not earn her an automatic berth to the Olympic Games; however, the USA was granted first alternate status by the FIG.

Finally the **Artistic World Championships** took place in Tianjin, China. The USA men's and women's teams both qualified to the Olympic Games in Sydney, Australia.

Dionne Wilkins was spectacular, just missing the all-around bronze medal by .001 points, but earning continued respect from the international gymnastics community. Plus, her fourth place finish is the best by a U.S. male gymnast since Kurt Thomas' silver medal in 1979.

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JULY 31, 1999

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The first annual National Gymnastics Day took place on July 31, 1999, in cities and gyms around the country. USA Gymnastics asked for photos and a description of how you and your gym celebrated National Gymnastics Day and WDW did we ever get them! Below are some of the ways in which gyms and gymnasts celebrated this first annual event.



Landville, Kentucky—Champion Gymnastics held an exhibition night right at their local shopping store. On July 31 they held an Open House complete with leotards for sale, prizes, free printing, demonstrations, medals, and prize giveaways. Photos by: Ryan Tison, member, Presidential Page Club by all Jeffersonville Mayor's Council



West Hill, New York—National Gymnastics Day Challenge: Beth Gentry appeared on NBC's Today Show with Olympic Gold Medalist, Shannon Miller and Olympic Down, Gymnasts appeared on exhibition at Jackson's Bar Plaza during the Today Show. Highlighting Olympic Coach's Museum and two new National Olympic Center Midway, three new National Training Centers, Ryan Winton also showed off his high 300's skills. Royal Philanthropy held out the torches with Jennifer Ross in Central Park.



Minneapolis, Minnesota—L. Club Gymnastics performed a demonstration in Inaugural Hall. Personnel of the Greater Club Ministry Union said, "The gym's doors were off the hook that first week after the exhibition plus we were asked by another hall and a women's club to come and perform!



Centerville, Pennsylvania—Jennings' 1st National Power event was a lot way of business including a Chardon 1999, Olympic Festival, Gold Medal, Ring Day, and Halo Hoop Contest just to name a few of the activities—all complete with prizes and awards!

Springfield, Illinois—USA Gymnastics celebrated National Gymnastics Day with a group of gymnasts performing a demonstration in the Springfield area.





Tulsa, Oklahoma—Tulsa All-star Gymnastics held a "Tulsa is Proud to be Open" presentation to celebrate a local TV studio conducted in an indoor facility from 1998 to 2000.



Kearnsville, Utah—Kearnsville Gymnastics took to the streets to celebrate National Gymnastics Day.



Orange, New York—The local Sports Performance Club performed a demonstration of the Binghamton Metro Baseball game (local AA baseball club). The demonstration team showed their "soft" by doing a wind-throwing machine.



Los Angeles, California—1984 Olympic Bart Conner led a group of Olympians and current National Team members in a recognition ceremony at the Western Center of the NCAA campus, July 31 marked the 15th anniversary of the men's team gold medal at the 1984 Olympic Games in Los Angeles. The group presented IOC Vice President Aris Defotis with a special recognition award. Seated L to R: Aris Defotis, Torrance Barthelemy, Don Peters, Kelly Johnson, Chusky Humphrey, and Karmela Kiley.

Garage, Colorado—Local Sports Performance Club performed a demonstration of the Binghamton Metro Baseball game (local AA baseball club). The demonstration team showed their "soft" by doing a wind-throwing machine.



Massachusetts, Ohio—New England's local sports performance club performed a demonstration of the Binghamton Metro Baseball game (local AA baseball club). The demonstration team showed their "soft" by doing a wind-throwing machine.



Bismarck, Texas—Bismarck Metro All-star Gymnastics held a 11th National Gymnastics Day presentation ceremony and award ceremony held in a special facility to celebrate. Photo L to R: Paul Markers, Glenn Rapp, Brenda Walker, and Amy Davis.

There were so many great celebrations that took place on National Gymnastics Day that it was difficult to select the photos to publish. Congratulations to everyone who celebrated National Gymnastics Day. Remember, start planning for National Gymnastics Day 2000 now. The date will be announced very soon and plans at the national level have already begun!

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ARTISTIC WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS RESULTS

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WOMEN'S TEAM FINALS

| | CO | US | UK | FR | TOTAL |
|---------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|
| 1. FINLAND | | | | | |
| Marina Zueva | 0.600 | 1.450 | 0.450 | 1.375 | 39.775 |
| Liudmila Ibragimova | 0.500 | | | 0.550 | 11.050 |
| Alina Zaytseva | 0.610 | 1.260 | 0.400 | 0.575 | 38.750 |
| Andriana Kulikova | 0.600 | 0.475 | 0.450 | 0.400 | 19.925 |
| Andriana Ivanova | 0.400 | 0.325 | 0.400 | | 18.125 |
| Anna Kupchuk | 0.400 | 0.410 | 0.300 | | 18.710 |
| Total | 30.000 | 36.040 | 21.900 | 20.400 | 156.340 |

2. RUSSIA

| | | | | | |
|---------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|
| Ekaterina Lyudskova | 0.400 | 1.275 | 0.400 | 0.400 | 38.125 |
| Olga Savchenko | 0.500 | 0.625 | | 0.475 | 15.100 |
| Anna Savchenko | 0.500 | | | 0.775 | 18.750 |
| Olga Savchenko | 0.500 | 1.250 | 0.350 | 0.500 | 38.600 |
| Ekaterina Lyudskova | | 0.400 | 0.400 | | 18.800 |
| Andriana Kulikova | 0.125 | 0.325 | 0.475 | 0.400 | 18.325 |
| Total | 17.625 | 36.490 | 22.425 | 20.600 | 157.140 |

3. CHINA

| | | | | | |
|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|
| Yu Dan | 0.375 | 1.275 | 0.375 | 0.450 | 38.500 |
| Yan Li | 0.350 | 1.250 | 0.375 | 0.375 | 38.350 |
| Yang Jinghui | 0.500 | 1.200 | 0.325 | 0.375 | 38.400 |
| Yang Jinghui | 0.500 | 1.200 | 0.300 | 0.375 | 38.375 |
| Yu Dan | 0.500 | 1.100 | 0.475 | 0.325 | 38.400 |
| Total | 36.225 | 36.490 | 36.225 | 36.225 | 155.160 |

4. UKRAINE

| | | | | | |
|-------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|
| Olga Zhukova | 0.325 | | 0.400 | 0.375 | 38.125 |
| Andriana Kulikova | 0.350 | 0.600 | 0.350 | 0.375 | 18.675 |
| Olga Zhukova | 0.400 | 1.000 | 0.375 | | 21.775 |
| Yana Zhukova | 0.400 | 1.000 | | 0.375 | 21.750 |
| Yana Zhukova | 0.275 | 0.325 | 0.325 | 0.375 | 18.300 |
| Olga Zhukova | 0.475 | 0.400 | 0.400 | | 19.275 |
| Total | 37.475 | 36.390 | 22.750 | 20.750 | 157.365 |

5. AUSTRIA

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|-------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|
| Andriana Kulikova | 0.300 | 0.350 | 0.400 | 0.300 | 18.350 |
| Olga Zhukova | 0.300 | | | | 18.350 |
| Olga Zhukova | 0.300 | 1.000 | 0.400 | 0.300 | 21.000 |
| Olga Zhukova | 0.300 | 0.325 | 0.325 | 0.300 | 18.250 |
| Olga Zhukova | 0.300 | 0.325 | 0.325 | 0.300 | 18.250 |
| Olga Zhukova | 0.300 | 0.325 | 0.325 | 0.300 | 18.250 |
| Total | 17.750 | 36.310 | 22.750 | 20.750 | 157.560 |

6. USA

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|-------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|
| Andriana Kulikova | 0.475 | 0.375 | 0.375 | 0.400 | 19.625 |
| Olga Zhukova | 0.375 | 0.375 | 0.375 | 0.375 | 18.375 |
| Olga Zhukova | 0.375 | 0.375 | 0.375 | 0.375 | 18.375 |
| Olga Zhukova | 0.375 | 0.375 | 0.375 | 0.375 | 18.375 |
| Olga Zhukova | 0.375 | 0.375 | 0.375 | 0.375 | 18.375 |
| Olga Zhukova | 0.375 | 0.375 | 0.375 | 0.375 | 18.375 |
| Total | 20.575 | 36.187 | 22.750 | 20.750 | 156.274 |

Note: Scores for compulsory and optional exercises during 11 routines performed in complete in the 2000 Olympic Games. The top six teams are qualified. The next six teams are qualified. China, Russia, UK, Austria, and USA are qualified.



WOMEN'S ALL-AROUND FINALS

| | FIN | UK | US | FR | TOTAL |
|------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|
| 1. Marina Zueva | 0.500 | 1.425 | 0.400 | 1.375 | 39.775 |
| 2. Ekaterina Lyudskova | 0.400 | 1.400 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.525 |
| 3. Alina Zaytseva | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 4. Andriana Kulikova | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 5. Anna Kupchuk | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 6. Olga Zhukova | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 7. Yang Jinghui | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 8. Yu Dan | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 9. Yana Zhukova | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 10. Olga Zhukova | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
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| 75. Olga Zhukova | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 76. Olga Zhukova | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 77. Olga Zhukova | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 78. Olga Zhukova | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 79. Olga Zhukova | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 80. Olga Zhukova | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 81. Olga Zhukova | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 82. Olga Zhukova | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 83. Olga Zhukova | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 84. Olga Zhukova | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 85. Olga Zhukova | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 86. Olga Zhukova | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 87. Olga Zhukova | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 88. Olga Zhukova | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 89. Olga Zhukova | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 90. Olga Zhukova | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 91. Olga Zhukova | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 92. Olga Zhukova | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 93. Olga Zhukova | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 94. Olga Zhukova | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 95. Olga Zhukova | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 96. Olga Zhukova | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 97. Olga Zhukova | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 98. Olga Zhukova | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 99. Olga Zhukova | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 100. Olga Zhukova | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |

Balance Beam Finals

| | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|
| 1. Marina Zueva | 0.500 | 1.425 | 0.400 | 1.375 | 39.775 |
| 2. Ekaterina Lyudskova | 0.400 | 1.400 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.525 |

WOMEN'S EVENT FINALS

| | FIN | UK | US | FR | TOTAL |
|------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|
| 1. Marina Zueva | 0.500 | 1.425 | 0.400 | 1.375 | 39.775 |
| 2. Ekaterina Lyudskova | 0.400 | 1.400 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.525 |
| 3. Alina Zaytseva | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 4. Andriana Kulikova | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 5. Anna Kupchuk | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 6. Olga Zhukova | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 7. Yang Jinghui | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 8. Yu Dan | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 9. Yana Zhukova | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |
| 10. Olga Zhukova | 0.400 | 1.375 | 0.375 | 1.350 | 39.500 |

Unnerving Moves

| | | | | | | |
|---|-------|--------|-----------------|---------------------|------|--------|
| 1 | 0.400 | 10.895 | Larisa Ilyukina | | | |
| 2 | 0.350 | 10.790 | 1 | Yulia Davydova | 0.05 | 10.835 |
| 3 | 0.300 | 10.685 | 2 | Ekaterina Gorokhova | 0.00 | 10.875 |
| 4 | 0.250 | 10.580 | 3 | Yang Jinghui | 0.00 | 10.910 |
| 5 | 0.200 | 10.475 | 4 | Olga Zhukova | 0.05 | 10.525 |
| 6 | 0.150 | 10.370 | 5 | Yana Zhukova | 1.00 | 9.370 |
| 7 | 0.100 | 10.265 | 6 | Anna Kupchuk | 0.00 | 10.265 |
| 8 | 0.050 | 10.160 | 7 | Olga Zh | 0.00 | 10.160 |
| 9 | 0.000 | 10.055 | 8 | Yana Zhukova | 0.00 | 10.055 |

WOMEN'S TEAM FINALS

| TEAM | VT | VA | NC | NY | PA | MA | TOTAL |
|---------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| 1. China | | | | | | | |
| Li Xiaoli | 14.05 | 14.57 | 15.62 | 17.29 | 14.81 | 14.87 | 14.37 |
| Yang Yanyan | 13.75 | 13.82 | 13.25 | 13.70 | 14.59 | 14.15 | 13.63 |
| Li Jingjing | 13.87 | | 13.71 | 17.29 | 13.52 | 14.47 | 14.37 |
| Yang Yanyan | | 13.82 | 13.61 | | | | 13.71 |
| Yang Yanyan | 14.01 | 14.75 | | 14.21 | 13.99 | 14.37 | 14.37 |
| Yang Yanyan | 13.71 | 14.01 | 13.62 | 14.29 | 14.51 | 14.25 | 14.29 |
| Yang Yanyan | 13.71 | | | | | | 13.71 |
| Total | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 |
| 2. Russia | | | | | | | |
| Olga Kapatchinskaya | 14.01 | 14.75 | 14.62 | 17.29 | 14.71 | 14.51 | 14.37 |
| Yegorina Yegorina | 13.75 | 14.01 | 13.87 | 14.00 | | 14.01 | 13.87 |
| Yegorina Yegorina | 13.75 | 13.87 | 13.75 | 13.71 | 14.01 | 14.01 | 13.87 |
| Yegorina Yegorina | 13.75 | | 13.62 | | 13.75 | 13.75 | 13.62 |
| Yegorina Yegorina | 13.75 | 14.01 | 13.71 | 14.29 | 14.01 | 14.01 | 14.01 |
| Yegorina Yegorina | 13.75 | 14.01 | 13.71 | 14.29 | 14.01 | 14.01 | 14.01 |
| Total | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 |
| 3. Belarus | | | | | | | |
| Olga Kapatchinskaya | 14.01 | 14.75 | 14.62 | 17.29 | 14.71 | 14.51 | 14.37 |
| Yegorina Yegorina | 13.75 | 14.01 | 13.87 | 14.00 | | 14.01 | 13.87 |
| Yegorina Yegorina | 13.75 | 13.87 | 13.75 | 13.71 | 14.01 | 14.01 | 13.87 |
| Yegorina Yegorina | 13.75 | | 13.62 | | 13.75 | 13.75 | 13.62 |
| Yegorina Yegorina | 13.75 | 14.01 | 13.71 | 14.29 | 14.01 | 14.01 | 14.01 |
| Yegorina Yegorina | 13.75 | 14.01 | 13.71 | 14.29 | 14.01 | 14.01 | 14.01 |
| Total | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 |
| 4. Japan | | | | | | | |
| Li Xiaoli | 14.05 | 14.57 | 15.62 | 17.29 | 14.81 | 14.87 | 14.37 |
| Yang Yanyan | 13.75 | 13.82 | 13.25 | 13.70 | 14.59 | 14.15 | 13.63 |
| Li Jingjing | 13.87 | | 13.71 | 17.29 | 13.52 | 14.47 | 14.37 |
| Yang Yanyan | | 13.82 | 13.61 | | | | 13.71 |
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| Yang Yanyan | 13.71 | 14.01 | 13.62 | 14.29 | 14.51 | 14.25 | 14.29 |
| Yang Yanyan | 13.71 | | | | | | 13.71 |
| Total | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 |
| 5. USA | | | | | | | |
| Li Xiaoli | 14.05 | 14.57 | 15.62 | 17.29 | 14.81 | 14.87 | 14.37 |
| Yang Yanyan | 13.75 | 13.82 | 13.25 | 13.70 | 14.59 | 14.15 | 13.63 |
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| Yang Yanyan | 13.71 | 14.01 | 13.62 | 14.29 | 14.51 | 14.25 | 14.29 |
| Yang Yanyan | 13.71 | | | | | | 13.71 |
| Total | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 |

WOMEN'S EVENT FINALS

| EVENT | VT | VA | NC | NY | PA | MA | TOTAL |
|---------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| 1. China | | | | | | | |
| Li Xiaoli | 14.05 | 14.57 | 15.62 | 17.29 | 14.81 | 14.87 | 14.37 |
| Yang Yanyan | 13.75 | 13.82 | 13.25 | 13.70 | 14.59 | 14.15 | 13.63 |
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| Yang Yanyan | 13.71 | 14.01 | 13.62 | 14.29 | 14.51 | 14.25 | 14.29 |
| Yang Yanyan | 13.71 | | | | | | 13.71 |
| Total | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 |
| 2. Russia | | | | | | | |
| Olga Kapatchinskaya | 14.01 | 14.75 | 14.62 | 17.29 | 14.71 | 14.51 | 14.37 |
| Yegorina Yegorina | 13.75 | 14.01 | 13.87 | 14.00 | | 14.01 | 13.87 |
| Yegorina Yegorina | 13.75 | 13.87 | 13.75 | 13.71 | 14.01 | 14.01 | 13.87 |
| Yegorina Yegorina | 13.75 | | 13.62 | | 13.75 | 13.75 | 13.62 |
| Yegorina Yegorina | 13.75 | 14.01 | 13.71 | 14.29 | 14.01 | 14.01 | 14.01 |
| Yegorina Yegorina | 13.75 | 14.01 | 13.71 | 14.29 | 14.01 | 14.01 | 14.01 |
| Total | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 |
| 3. Belarus | | | | | | | |
| Olga Kapatchinskaya | 14.01 | 14.75 | 14.62 | 17.29 | 14.71 | 14.51 | 14.37 |
| Yegorina Yegorina | 13.75 | 14.01 | 13.87 | 14.00 | | 14.01 | 13.87 |
| Yegorina Yegorina | 13.75 | 13.87 | 13.75 | 13.71 | 14.01 | 14.01 | 13.87 |
| Yegorina Yegorina | 13.75 | | 13.62 | | 13.75 | 13.75 | 13.62 |
| Yegorina Yegorina | 13.75 | 14.01 | 13.71 | 14.29 | 14.01 | 14.01 | 14.01 |
| Yegorina Yegorina | 13.75 | 14.01 | 13.71 | 14.29 | 14.01 | 14.01 | 14.01 |
| Total | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 |
| 4. Japan | | | | | | | |
| Li Xiaoli | 14.05 | 14.57 | 15.62 | 17.29 | 14.81 | 14.87 | 14.37 |
| Yang Yanyan | 13.75 | 13.82 | 13.25 | 13.70 | 14.59 | 14.15 | 13.63 |
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| Yang Yanyan | 13.71 | 14.01 | 13.62 | 14.29 | 14.51 | 14.25 | 14.29 |
| Yang Yanyan | 13.71 | | | | | | 13.71 |
| Total | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 |
| 5. USA | | | | | | | |
| Li Xiaoli | 14.05 | 14.57 | 15.62 | 17.29 | 14.81 | 14.87 | 14.37 |
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| Yang Yanyan | 13.71 | 14.01 | 13.62 | 14.29 | 14.51 | 14.25 | 14.29 |
| Yang Yanyan | 13.71 | | | | | | 13.71 |
| Total | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 |

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WOMEN'S ALL-AROUND FINALS

| TEAM | VT | VA | NC | NY | PA | MA | TOTAL |
|---------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| 1. China | | | | | | | |
| Li Xiaoli | 14.05 | 14.57 | 15.62 | 17.29 | 14.81 | 14.87 | 14.37 |
| Yang Yanyan | 13.75 | 13.82 | 13.25 | 13.70 | 14.59 | 14.15 | 13.63 |
| Li Jingjing | 13.87 | | 13.71 | 17.29 | 13.52 | 14.47 | 14.37 |
| Yang Yanyan | | 13.82 | 13.61 | | | | 13.71 |
| Yang Yanyan | 14.01 | 14.75 | | 14.21 | 13.99 | 14.37 | 14.37 |
| Yang Yanyan | 13.71 | 14.01 | 13.62 | 14.29 | 14.51 | 14.25 | 14.29 |
| Yang Yanyan | 13.71 | | | | | | 13.71 |
| Total | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 |
| 2. Russia | | | | | | | |
| Olga Kapatchinskaya | 14.01 | 14.75 | 14.62 | 17.29 | 14.71 | 14.51 | 14.37 |
| Yegorina Yegorina | 13.75 | 14.01 | 13.87 | 14.00 | | 14.01 | 13.87 |
| Yegorina Yegorina | 13.75 | 13.87 | 13.75 | 13.71 | 14.01 | 14.01 | 13.87 |
| Yegorina Yegorina | 13.75 | | 13.62 | | 13.75 | 13.75 | 13.62 |
| Yegorina Yegorina | 13.75 | 14.01 | 13.71 | 14.29 | 14.01 | 14.01 | 14.01 |
| Yegorina Yegorina | 13.75 | 14.01 | 13.71 | 14.29 | 14.01 | 14.01 | 14.01 |
| Total | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 |
| 3. Belarus | | | | | | | |
| Olga Kapatchinskaya | 14.01 | 14.75 | 14.62 | 17.29 | 14.71 | 14.51 | 14.37 |
| Yegorina Yegorina | 13.75 | 14.01 | 13.87 | 14.00 | | 14.01 | 13.87 |
| Yegorina Yegorina | 13.75 | 13.87 | 13.75 | 13.71 | 14.01 | 14.01 | 13.87 |
| Yegorina Yegorina | 13.75 | | 13.62 | | 13.75 | 13.75 | 13.62 |
| Yegorina Yegorina | 13.75 | 14.01 | 13.71 | 14.29 | 14.01 | 14.01 | 14.01 |
| Yegorina Yegorina | 13.75 | 14.01 | 13.71 | 14.29 | 14.01 | 14.01 | 14.01 |
| Total | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 |
| 4. Japan | | | | | | | |
| Li Xiaoli | 14.05 | 14.57 | 15.62 | 17.29 | 14.81 | 14.87 | 14.37 |
| Yang Yanyan | 13.75 | 13.82 | 13.25 | 13.70 | 14.59 | 14.15 | 13.63 |
| Li Jingjing | 13.87 | | 13.71 | 17.29 | 13.52 | 14.47 | 14.37 |
| Yang Yanyan | | 13.82 | 13.61 | | | | 13.71 |
| Yang Yanyan | 14.01 | 14.75 | | 14.21 | 13.99 | 14.37 | 14.37 |
| Yang Yanyan | 13.71 | 14.01 | 13.62 | 14.29 | 14.51 | 14.25 | 14.29 |
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| Total | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 |
| 5. USA | | | | | | | |
| Li Xiaoli | 14.05 | 14.57 | 15.62 | 17.29 | 14.81 | 14.87 | 14.37 |
| Yang Yanyan | 13.75 | 13.82 | 13.25 | 13.70 | 14.59 | 14.15 | 13.63 |
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| Yang Yanyan | | 13.82 | 13.61 | | | | 13.71 |
| Yang Yanyan | 14.01 | 14.75 | | 14.21 | 13.99 | 14.37 | 14.37 |
| Yang Yanyan | 13.71 | 14.01 | 13.62 | 14.29 | 14.51 | 14.25 | 14.29 |
| Yang Yanyan | 13.71 | | | | | | 13.71 |
| Total | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 | 104.01 |



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NOVEMBER DECEMBER


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|--|---|---|--|---|
| 5-7 NATIONAL TOPS TESTING-EAST (W) Rochester, NY | 11-13 FUTURE STARS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS (M) Colorado Springs, CO | 2-5 PAGU CHILDREN'S INTERCLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS (M/W/R) Corvallis, OR | 2-7 SR. NATIONAL TEAM TRAINING CAMP (M) Colorado Springs, CO | 3-5 USA NATIONAL GYMNET (JRG) Tempe, AZ |
| 11-14 COACHES WORKSHOPS (M) Colorado Springs, CO | 12-14 USA GYMNASTICS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE/ BOARD MEETINGS Indianapolis, IN | 2000 JANUARY | | |
| | | 8-12 PAGU JR. INTERCLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS (M/W) Corvallis, OR | 9-12 NATIONAL TOPS CAMP (W) Reno, CA | |



FEBRUARY

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| 16 YSA AMERICAN CUP SERIES QUALIFIER I TBD | TBD WORLD CUP QUALIFIER (TR) Sydney, AUS | | | |
| 5 YSA AMERICAN CUP SERIES QUALIFIER II TBD | 4-6 RHYTHMIC CHALLENGE & INVITATIONAL (R) Colorado Springs, CO | 11-12 USA GYMNASTICS WINTER CUP CHALLENGE RE-RANKING (M & TR SR) Las Vegas, NV | | |
| | | 18-20 AMERICAN CLASSIC (W) TBD | 19 OLYMPIC TEST EVENT (TR) Sydney, AUS | 26 YSA AMERICAN CUP FINALS (M/W) Orlando, FL |

MARCH

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|---|--|--|--------------|---|
| 4 INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION (R) TBD | TBD AMERICAN CHALLENGE (W) TBD | 31- APRIL 1 NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS (M) East City, GA | | |
| | | | APRIL |  |

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|--|--|---|---|
| 8-9 LEVEL 9/10 REGIONALS (W) Marquette, MI | 20-25 SR. PACIFIC ALLIANCE CHAMPIONSHIPS (M/W/R) Chattanooga, TN | 28-30 LEVEL 9 EAST/WEST CHAMPIONSHIPS (W) Everett, WA | TBD USA GYMNASTICS COLLEGIATE CHAMPIONSHIPS (M/W) TBD |
| LEVEL 10 REGIONALS (W) Marquette, MI | | | |

MAY

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|---|--|---|--|--|
| 4-7 J.O. NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS (M) Austria, TX | 5-7 J.O. NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS (W) Lansing, MI | 11-15 USOC OLYMPIC MEDIA SUMMIT (M/W/R) Phoenix, AZ | | |
| 12-14 J.O. NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS, INDIVIDUAL & GROUP (R) Seattle, WA | 19-21 USA GYMNASTICS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE/BOARD MEETINGS Indianapolis, IN | MAY-SEPTEMBER HALL TOUR (M/W/R) TBD | | |



All dates and events subject to change at association.

JUNE JULY

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|--|---|---|---|
| 1-4 J.O. OPTIONAL COACHES SUMMIT (W) TBD | 3-4 LEVEL 9 CHAMPIONSHIPS (R) Houston, TX | 7-9 U.S. CLASSIC/ NATIONAL GYMNASTICS FESTIVAL (W) Tulsa, OK | 8-9 RHYTHMIC EAST CHAMPIONSHIPS (R) TBD |
| 16-20 J.O. NATIONAL TEAM TRAINING CAMP (W) Colo. Springs, CO | 23-25 U.S. CHALLENGE (W) TBD | 26-29 JOHN HANCOCK U.S. GYMNASTICS CHAMPIONSHIPS (M/W/R/TU) St. Louis, MO | |
| 24-25 RHYTHMIC WEST CHAMPIONSHIPS (R) W. Springfield, IL | TBD USA GYMNASTICS NATIONAL OLYMPIC JOGG TBD WORLD CUP COMPETITION (TV) Canada & U.S. (2 wks) | 17-20 U.S. OLYMPIC TRIALS Boston, MA For Olympic Trials ticket information call 617-623-7127 | AUG. |
| | | 18-21 USA GYMNASTICS NATIONAL CONGRESS Boston, MA | |



EVENTS ON TV

| EVENT | TV DATE | BROADCAST | TIME (ET) |
|---|--|------------|---|
| VISA AMERICAN CUP SERIES QUALIFIER I January 16 ■ TBA | January 16 (live) | NBC Sports | 2:00-4:00 p.m. |
| VISA AMERICAN CUP SERIES QUALIFIER II February 3 ■ TBA | February 3 (live) | NBC Sports | 3:30-5:30 p.m. |
| VISA AMERICAN CUP FINALS February 26 ■ Orlando, Florida | February 26 (live) | NBC Sports | 4:00-6:00 p.m. |
| JOHN HANCOCK U.S. GYMNASTICS CHAMPIONSHIPS July 26-29 ■ St. Louis, Missouri | July 29 (W) July 30 (W) August 3 (M) | NBC Sports | 8:00-9:00 p.m. 7:00-8:00 p.m. 3:00-4:00 p.m. |
| For Olympic Trials ticket information call 617-623-7127 | | | |
| U.S. OLYMPIC TRIALS August 17-20 ■ Boston, Mass. | August 19 August 20 August 30 | NBC Sports | 8:00-10:00 p.m. 2:00-4:00 p.m. 7:00-9:00 p.m. |
| BESSE'S GYMNASTICS CUP October 20 ■ New Orleans, La. | November 18 | NBC Sports | 2:00-4:00 p.m. |
| FORTIAC INTERNATIONAL TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS November 10-17 ■ Rotterdam, Ho | December 16 December 17 | NBC Sports | 2:00-4:00 p.m. 2:00-4:00 p.m. |

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By Courtney Curran

The newest Olympic discipline has its first U.S. Olympian.

Jennifer Parilla, 18 and from Lake Forest, Calif., earned the USA its first-ever trampoline spot at an Olympic Games. Parilla finished ninth at the 1999 World Championships, Sept. 20-26, in San City, South Africa.

"I am honored to have earned the U.S. an opportunity to compete in trampoline at the 2000 Olympic Games. This will really help the sport gain exposure in our country, and I am excited to be a part of it," Parilla said.

Parilla has been trampolining in Southern California since she was five years old with her coach Robert Hall. She graduated from high school in 1999 and is delaying her enrollment in college to concentrate on training.

USA Gymnastics will forward Parilla's name to the United States Olympic Committee for final

approval as the female trampoline representative on the U.S. Olympic Team.

In men's trampoline, Ryan Weston from Chubbuck, Idaho narrowly missed automatically qualifying a U.S. men's spot at the Olympic Games by finishing 18th in World Championships rankings, and 13th in the Olympic selection rankings. Further men's selection will be determined following the announcement from the FIG for the additional spots at the Olympic Games.

San City, South Africa was also the site of the 1999 World Age-Group Games. The USA Team consisted of 74 athletes from 17 nations, ranging in age from 11 to 23. They competed in 4 age groups (11-12, 13-14, 15-16, 17 and over) against athletes from 25 countries. Team USA took a total of 18 medals, including five gold, seven silver and six bronzes. This is the 14th World Age-Group Games, which are held on odd years, following the World Championships. A group of more than 100 coaches, parents and other fans traveled to South Africa to support the team.

Photos (clockwise): Ryan Weston, Jennifer Parilla and Jennifer Parilla

INDIVIDUAL RESULTS (TOP 20)

| | | |
|---------------------------|---------------------|--------|
| Erin Morgan | Women's Double Mini | bronze |
| Amanda Lutz | Women's Tumbling | 4th |
| Brad Davis | Men's Tumbling | 5th |
| Ryan Weston | Men's Double Mini | 6th |
| Ryan Weston/ David Poplar | Men's Synchro | 6th |
| Jenny Parilla | Women's Synchro | 7th |
| Jennifer Sene | Men's Double Mini | 7th |
| Mark Griffin | Men's Tumbling | 8th |
| Layana Davis | Women's Tumbling | 8th |
| Randy Davis | Men's Tumbling | 9th |
| Alfha Robinson | Women's Tumbling | 14th |
| Jake Fisher | Women's Double Mini | 16th |
| Jenny Parilla | Women's Trampoline | 17th |
| Ryan Weston | Men's Trampoline | 18th |
| Erin Morgan | Women's Tumbling | 19th |

TEAM RESULTS

Men's Double Mini: Gold, Men's Tumbling: 4th, Women's Tumbling: 4th, Women's Double Mini: 5th, Men's Trampoline: 6th, Men's Tumbling: 6th

JENNIFER PARILLA

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| Birth Date/Place: | July 9, 1981 / Norwood, South, Calif. |
| Hometown & Residence: | Lake Forest, Calif. |
| Club: | Southern California Trampoline Academy |
| Coach: | Robert Hall |

PERSONAL INFO

Jennifer has an older brother, Gavin, who is the head guitarist in her band. For her 14th birthday present from her family Jennifer was given trampoline lessons with her present coach, Robert Hall. Jennifer was 7 years old at her first national competition. Her favorite TV show is "Futurama." Favorite actors are Kevin Costner and Al Pacino. Favorite music is techno and in spare time she loves snowboarding, especially jumps, body boarding, dancing and traveling.



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JAI DECHMAZER MINNAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

As 11 years old, Jai Dechmazer is a member of the Minnesota State Gymnastics team. He has won four state championships in the past year. He is a member of the Minnesota State Gymnastics team. He is a member of the Minnesota State Gymnastics team. He is a member of the Minnesota State Gymnastics team.

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ANGEL POPE DAN FORD, MINNESOTA

Angel has been on the Minnesota State Gymnastics team for two years. She has won four state championships in the past year. She is a member of the Minnesota State Gymnastics team. She is a member of the Minnesota State Gymnastics team.

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The World Team Trials took place September 25-28 at the historic Municipal Auditorium. Sixteen men and 25 women competed in the World Team Trials in hopes of earning a coveted spot on the World Championships team.

On the men's side, 48% of the athlete's score from the John Hancock U.S. Gymnastics Championships and 60% of the total score from the World Team Trials were used to determine the final rankings. In other words, the athletes competed in four separate all-around competitions and consistency was the key!

With an average age of slightly over 24 years, the USA men's team looks strong. Plus four of the members are veterans of World Championships events, and the other three are first-timers, a good mix!

Glenn Wilson and John Bartholmberger hung on to their first and second place standings from the John Hancock U.S. Gymnastics Championships, and will lead the U.S. team at the World Championships in Targu, China, October 8-15.

Bartholmberger, who will compete in his third World Championships, said, "Our team looks good. We've got a lot of guys who are good. They didn't enter many routines tonight."

Two-time Olympic Bartholmberger said, "This is my sixth World Championships event and this one is special because of the rough year I had with my knee injury. People were questioning whether I could come back so it's good to be able to do well. I put my heart into it [making the team] and it's very rewarding."

Twelve-year-old Yaela Tzoref moved up from seventh in the all-around at Championships to third in the final rankings, grabbing her first chance to compete at a World Championships.

"I felt like I had to redeem myself from Championships," said Tzoref. "I told myself that I could have one mistake per competition but I used them all up at Championships. I knew I had to go out and hit all my routines at World Team Trials. It's a great honor to make the World Team, it's a really big deal to me."

Tzoref's father and coach, Yoel, was named assistant coach to the World Championships team along with Vitaly Manetich who coaches at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs. 1978 Olympic medalist Peter Korman is the head coach of the team.

Team Mexico-Austria Gymnastics Academy's Sean Townsend finished fourth in the final rankings, making his first World Team as well. Townsend, 20, said, "I feel great. It's my first dream goal come true." When asked about the team Sean said, "This could be the team that brings home a medal. It's too bad that Jason (Gibson) can't be on the team but we'll use what we have and do the best we can."

Team Mexico-USSR's Chris Young, 26, earned his first spot on a World Championships team by finishing fifth in the overall rankings. Young moved up from eighth after Championships, partly due to his great performances on pommel horse (9.85) and high bar (9.725) during the final round of World Team Trials. After five rounds of competition during Finals of World Team Trials, Chris had moved into third in the rankings. He finished on his weakest event, rings,

and almost slipped out of fifth when he fell on his dismount and scored only a 7.90. He said, "I made the mistake of looking at the scoreboard and seeing that I was in third place after the fifth round of competition. It put added pressure on me during my legs routine."

When asked how he felt making the World Team he said, "It's awesome. It's one of the best feelings I've ever had in gymnastics."

According to the selection procedures, the Men's Program Committee could select the sixth athlete to place on the team in order to help any weak areas that could enhance the overall team. The committee selected Stephen McCain, who actually finished sixth in the rankings, to be added to the World Team and Jay Thornton, who was seventh, to be the alternate.

Both gymnasts from Team USA-USA were thrilled with the decision. Twenty-five year-old McCain said, "I've poured my heart and soul in gymnastics and this is definitely the most special World Team I've been on." McCain was ninth all-around after Championships and moved up three spots to sixth in the final rankings. He will compete in his third World Championships and added, "I've learned a lot about staying in the game. I think the old McCain would have picked it in after Championships but I kept my head down and just kept going."

Thornton, who turned 25 on Sept. 5, said, "I'm delighted to be on the team. I'm disappointed that I didn't place a little higher but I think we're going to do great at World Championships and I'm behind the team 100%. I'll train hard and be ready in case I'm needed."

Many guys were in the hunt of the World Championships team but fell just short of the seven-man spot. USA's fourth young, who was fourth after Championships, fell to eighth in the final ranking. Team USA-USA's Scott McClure was third after Championships but fell to 11th in the final rankings. Another USAO gymnast and 1994 Olympian John Macready finished in ninth place. Macready is coming back from shoulder surgery and is eager to get back in the gym for more training so that he's more prepared in 2000.

Talented Paul Hamm moved from 11th place after Championships to 10th in the final rankings. Hamm, 25, shows great promise for the future of USA men's gymnastics. His double layout, full out on floor was quite impressive as well as his pommel horse routine which consistently scored a 9.40-4.60 at Championships and Trials. He will be one to watch in the future.

On the women's side, 50% of the athlete's score from the John Hancock U.S. Gymnastics Championships and 50% of the total score from the World Team Trials were used to determine the final rankings. Kristen Maloney and Vanessa Ables, who finished first and second at the 1999 John Hancock U.S. Gymnastics Championships, did not compete at the World Team Trials. They performed directly onto the World Team because of their results in the 1998 and 1999 John Hancock U.S. Gymnastics Championships, and the 1999 American Classic. Eighteen-year-old Maloney from Parkette's, competed at

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the Championships with a stress fracture in her right shin while 17-year-old Allen competed with a sore left ankle.

Kathy Kelly, Senior Women's Program Director of USA Gymnastics said, "Kristen and Vanessa need to be careful in their final preparation for the World Championships. By training smart, they will be in their peak condition to perform at the highest level for the USA."

With two spots already filled on the World Team, the trials began to select the four gymnasts and one alternate who would make up the rest of the team. After preliminary competitions at the World Team Trials, 18-year-old Jennie Thompson was in the lead, scoring a 9.531 on vault, 9.531 on bars, 9.837 on beam and a 9.435 on floor. Thompson from Cincinnati Gymnastics said, "I was trying to get comfortable with the crowd and the equipment. I was happy to hit my routines."

Hill's floor leg, who was in sixth place after Championships moved up to second with Alyssa Beckerman, Morgan White and Jamie Dantzscher rounding out the top five.

After the preliminary competition Thompson performed to be admitted onto the World Team due to illness. She had an upper respiratory infection with acute sinusitis. Her petition was accepted, so the Finals competition selected the remaining three gymnasts and one alternate for the World Team.

During the final all-around competition, 17-year-old Ray came on stronger than ever hitting all four events and scoring a 9.254 on vault, 9.175 on bars, 9.637 on beam and a 9.635 on floor. Ray who showed incredible leg extension, toe point and over all grace in every event, finished with the highest all-around score at the World Team Trials and earned a spot on her first World Championships team.

"It feels wonderful," said Ray. "I came in and gave it all I had. This has been a long time goal of mine to make a World Team."

Following Rice was SCAT's Jeanette Antolin, who showed many new skills and an enthusiasm to match. Jeanette, 17, had to sit out of Championships due to an injury, but proved she was ready to head to China and compete in her first World Championships.

She said, "I'm thrilled beyond words. It was disappointing in 1997 to have to sit and watch the World Championships on the alternate. I'm definitely ready to go and compete."

Jeanette showed some innovative skills in her routines including a layout pike and a double front pike half off dismount on bars, a double layout punch front on floor, and on vault she was the only American doing a round off onto the beam, 9 turn onto the horse, pike front half salto off.

Her coach Don Peters said, "I was extremely pleased with her performance. Every routine she did was new. Having been injured and missing Championships, Jeanette didn't have an opportunity to perform five routines prior to Finals. She handled the pressure very well."

When asked about the women's team, Peters said, "I think we have a shot at a medal. It won't be easy because the competition is tough but I think we have a shot."

Cincinnati Gymnastics' Alyssa Beckerman, 18, thought her chances of a spot on the World

Championships team were lost when she fell from beam on her last event, scoring an 8.835. However, Jamie Dantzscher who was in fourth place behind Alyssa, also had problems on beam and scored a 9.050 which allowed Beckerman to maintain her third place ranking and earn a spot on the team.

Beckerman said, "Making the team is big. It's what I've dreamed of."

Unfortunately, a few days after the competition Alyssa was diagnosed with a small stress fracture in her wrist and the doctors recommended that she allow the wrist to fully heal so that she's prepared for competitions during the Olympic year.

Seventeen-year old Dantzscher, who qualified as the alternate, will now compete on the World Championships team and 16 year old Morgan White who finished fifth overall, will now travel to China as the alternate. Dantzscher is from Glens, while White hails at Cincinnati Gymnastics.

Kelli Hill was named the lead coach for the women's team and Donita Stewart the assistant coach. With an average age of 17 the U.S. World Team looks strong. Coach Hill said, "I'm excited and honored to be the head coach of the World Team and work with such a talented group of athletes and coaches. Our team should do very well."

Besides naming the World Team, another highlight of the event was seeing 1996 Olympic gold and silver medalist Amy Chow, 21, back in action. Amy said, "I had a good time and that's what matters. I'm very happy to put it all together after ankle surgery (she had a bone chip removed and a ligament reattached just three weeks prior to World Team Trials). My ankle is getting better every day and hopefully I'll be back in 2000 very soon." Amy plans to get back in the gym, West Valley Gymnastics, and continue training with her coaches Mark Young and Anne Simon. She added, "I'm happy to be back. I really missed competition."

Men's Final Standings

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| 1. | Stefano Nobile | Italy-1997 | 57.400 |
| 2. | John Kuchelberger | Minnesota | 56.400 |
| 3. | David Bontas | Egypt World | 54.775 |
| 4. | Sean Townsend | Utah-USA | 54.175 |
| 5. | Chen Yanyang | Yunnan-CHINA | 54.140 |
| 6. | Stephen McKay | Texas-USA | 54.100 |
| 7. | Jay Thompson | Texas-USA | 54.045 |
| 8. | Guang Wang | PRC | 54.040 |
| 9. | John Macnamara | Texas-USA | 53.870 |
| 10. | Paul Hagan | Ohio-USA | 53.800 |
| 11. | Scott McLean | Texas-USA | 53.690 |
| 12. | David Johnson | Ohio, of Ohio | 53.110 |
| 13. | Jim Freely | USA | 52.475 |
| 14. | Scott Thomas | Ohio, of Ohio | 52.400 |
| 15. | Wen Jialin | Texas-USA | 52.110 |
| 16. | Benji Shalev | Israel State | 49.900 |

Women's Final Standings

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|-----|-------------------|-------------|---------|
| 1. | Ellie Ray | USA | 78.110 |
| 2. | Jeanette Antolin | USA | 75.400 |
| 3. | Alyssa Beckerman | Cincinnati | 74.210 |
| 4. | Jennie Thompson | Glenn | 74.170 |
| 5. | Morgan White | Cincinnati | 74.140 |
| 6. | Julia Wiles | USA | 74.000 |
| 7. | Tracie Schmitt | Ohio State | 73.110 |
| 8. | Annabelle Gault | Utah | 71.840 |
| 9. | Eden Seely | USA | 70.610 |
| 10. | Stephanie Cooper | Minnesota | 70.440 |
| 11. | Madeline Thompson | Utah | 70.300 |
| 12. | Mylan Gault | Canada | 70.000 |
| 13. | Lindsay Whig | Utah | 69.510 |
| 14. | Amy Chow | West Valley | 67.660* |

*Amy omitted from the final competition after three spots.

White

Thompson

Thompson

Thompson

by Leah Fruch

The Rhythmic World Championships took place in Osaka, Japan, Sept. 29-Oct. 3. Gymnasts Jessica Howard, Kate Jeffries and Suzanne Pearson, competing in their first World Championships, represented the USA in the individual rhythmic competition.

Fifteen-year-old Howard had an outstanding competition. In fact, she made all-around finals in her first World Championships competition which is an amazing accomplishment, since usually the all-around finals competition is reserved for seasoned

winners. In rhythmic competition, Howard, who trains at International Rhythmic Gymnastics with her coach, Svetlana Arakcheeva, was 12th overall, just a step with my performance at the World Championships. She was an incredible performance and a very successful first competition for the U.S. It was a great honor to make all-around finals at my first World Championships!"

Jeffries and Pearson showed solid results throughout the event with Jeffries in leverage Howard's position. Sixteen-year-old Jeffries, also coached by Arakcheeva, finished in the top half of the competition. Pearson, 17, trains at Atlanta International Rhythmic Gymnastics and is coached by Anna Davidson.

Russia's Anna Kabanova won the all-around, followed by Belarus' Nadezhda Kozlova, and Ukraine's Katrin Krasovska.

In the team final, Russia took first followed by Belarus and Ukraine. In the group competition, Kazakhstan took first followed by Greece and Belarus.

INDIVIDUAL ALL-AROUND COMPETITION

| | | Bars | Vault | Beam | Ball | Ribbon | Total |
|------|------------------|------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|
| 1. | Anna Kabanova | 25.0 | 21.50 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 108.50 |
| 2. | Nadezhda Kozlova | 24.0 | 21.00 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 107.00 |
| 3. | Katrin Krasovska | 23.0 | 21.00 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.50 |
| 4. | Yana Klyuchnik | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 5. | Suzanne Pearson | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 6. | Kate Jeffries | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 7. | Jessica Howard | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 8. | Anna Kabanova | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 9. | Katrin Krasovska | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 10. | Yana Klyuchnik | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 11. | Suzanne Pearson | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 12. | Kate Jeffries | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 13. | Jessica Howard | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 14. | Anna Kabanova | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 15. | Katrin Krasovska | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 16. | Yana Klyuchnik | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 17. | Suzanne Pearson | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 18. | Kate Jeffries | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 19. | Jessica Howard | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 20. | Anna Kabanova | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
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| 24. | Kate Jeffries | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 25. | Jessica Howard | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 26. | Anna Kabanova | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 27. | Katrin Krasovska | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 28. | Yana Klyuchnik | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 29. | Suzanne Pearson | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 30. | Kate Jeffries | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 31. | Jessica Howard | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 32. | Anna Kabanova | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 33. | Katrin Krasovska | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 34. | Yana Klyuchnik | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 35. | Suzanne Pearson | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 36. | Kate Jeffries | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 37. | Jessica Howard | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 38. | Anna Kabanova | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 39. | Katrin Krasovska | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 40. | Yana Klyuchnik | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 41. | Suzanne Pearson | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 42. | Kate Jeffries | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 43. | Jessica Howard | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 44. | Anna Kabanova | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 45. | Katrin Krasovska | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 46. | Yana Klyuchnik | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 47. | Suzanne Pearson | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 48. | Kate Jeffries | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 49. | Jessica Howard | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 50. | Anna Kabanova | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 51. | Katrin Krasovska | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 52. | Yana Klyuchnik | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 53. | Suzanne Pearson | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 54. | Kate Jeffries | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 55. | Jessica Howard | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 56. | Anna Kabanova | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 57. | Katrin Krasovska | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 58. | Yana Klyuchnik | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
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| 61. | Jessica Howard | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 62. | Anna Kabanova | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 63. | Katrin Krasovska | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 64. | Yana Klyuchnik | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 65. | Suzanne Pearson | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 66. | Kate Jeffries | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 67. | Jessica Howard | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 68. | Anna Kabanova | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 69. | Katrin Krasovska | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 70. | Yana Klyuchnik | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 71. | Suzanne Pearson | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 72. | Kate Jeffries | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 73. | Jessica Howard | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 74. | Anna Kabanova | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 75. | Katrin Krasovska | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
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| 77. | Suzanne Pearson | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 78. | Kate Jeffries | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 79. | Jessica Howard | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
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| 81. | Katrin Krasovska | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
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| 98. | Anna Kabanova | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 99. | Katrin Krasovska | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 100. | Yana Klyuchnik | 22.0 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |

TEAM FINAL RESULTS

| | Bars | Vault | Beam | Ball | Ribbon | Total |
|------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|
| 1. Russia | 25.00 | 21.50 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 108.50 |
| 2. Belarus | 24.00 | 21.00 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 107.00 |
| 3. Ukraine | 23.00 | 21.00 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |

GROUP ALL-AROUND RESULTS

| | Bars | Vault | Beam | Ball | Ribbon | Total |
|---------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|
| 1. Belarus | 25.00 | 21.50 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 108.50 |
| 2. Russia | 24.00 | 21.00 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 107.00 |
| 3. Ukraine | 23.00 | 21.00 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 106.00 |
| 4. Kazakhstan | 22.00 | 21.00 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 105.00 |
| 5. Greece | 21.00 | 21.00 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 104.00 |
| 6. Belarus | 20.00 | 21.00 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 103.00 |
| 7. Russia | 19.00 | 21.00 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 102.00 |
| 8. Ukraine | 18.00 | 21.00 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 101.00 |
| 9. Kazakhstan | 17.00 | 21.00 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 100.00 |
| 10. Greece | 16.00 | 21.00 | 21.00 | 20.50 | 20.50 | 99.00 |

Highly Kate Jeffries and Jessica Howard at a function during the World Championships



meet the national team

By Lisa Potvin

Many of you could probably name the top five or 10 gymnasts in the country. You've seen them on TV and read about them in USA Gymnastics magazine. But, did you know there are actually 29 women and 17 men who make up the USA National Team? Here's all the scoop on each and every member of the 1999-2000 USA Men's and Women's Artistic Gymnastics Teams! (Men's Team begins on page 28)

KRISTEN MALONEY

HOMETOWN & RESIDENCE

Pen Argyl, Pa.

DATE OF BIRTH: Mar. 10, 1981

CLUB: Panther

COACH: Ed and Dorcas Strauss,

Jack Carter, Robin Hines

BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1987

FAVORITE EVENT: Floor Exercise

FUN FACTS: Kristen has accepted a scholarship offer to UCLA, but has delayed enrollment until after the 2000 Olympic Games.

Kristen won her second consecutive USA Gymnastics National All-Around title at the John Hancock U.S. Championships as well as All-Star of the Year. She's a gold medalist from the 1998 Goodwill Games and an individual event finalist at the 1997 World Championships.

ELISE RAY

HOMETOWN & RESIDENCE

Columbus, MS

DATE OF BIRTH: Feb. 6, 1982

CLUB: Hills Gymnastics

COACH: Kell Hill and Jim Bundy

SCHOOL: Wade High—10th grade

BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1990

FAVORITE EVENT: Bars

FUN FACTS: Elsie has an older brother and would like to compete day in and out. She enjoys shopping, arts and crafts, scrapbooking and spending time with family.

Elsie was the top scoring gymnast at the World Team Trials and took



gold all-around at the 1999 U.S. Championships. She's also the 1999 National Champion on floor and 1999 National All-Around Champion. She won the silver medal on bars at the 1999 Goodwill Games.

VANESSA ATLER

HOMETOWN & RESIDENCE

Clayton County, Ga.

DATE OF BIRTH: Feb. 17, 1982

SCHOOL: Learning Post—10th grade

BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1987

FAVORITE EVENT: Floor and Vault

FUN FACTS: Vanessa has her own web site at www.vatler.com—it is very creative done and is a great source of information on Vanessa.

Vanessa earned the silver medal in the all-around at the John Hancock U.S. Gymnastics Championships and won two gold medals on vault and bars. Vanessa is the 1997 Co-National Champion and 1999

Junior National Champion. She is a two-time gold medalist at the 1998 Goodwill Games.

JENNIE THOMPSON

HOMETOWN & RESIDENCE

Cincinnati, Ohio

DATE OF BIRTH: July 20, 1981

CLUB: Cincinnati Gymnastics

COACH: Mary Lee Tracy

SCHOOL: Colton High—12th grade

BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1988

FAVORITE EVENT: Floor Exercise

FUN FACTS: Jennie set a record by winning floor at the 1999 Championships, becoming the youngest world champion in history at age 17.

She won the all-around in 1999 at age 17.

Jennie earned the bronze medal in the all-around and on beam at the 1999 John Hancock U.S. Championships and led for the gold medal on bars. She was a member of the 1997 World Championships team.



maloney

Jennie is the all-around gold medalist from the 1999 All American Cup.

ALYSSA BECKERMAN

HOMETOWN & RESIDENCE

Madison, N.J.

DATE OF BIRTH: Jan. 23, 1981

CLUB: Cincinnati Gymnastics

COACH: Mary Lee Tracy

BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1995

FAVORITE EVENT: Bars

FUN FACTS: Alyssa has accepted a scholarship to UCLA, but has delayed enrollment until after the 2000 Olympic Games.

Alyssa finished fourth all-around at the 1999 U.S. Championships and tied for third on bars. Her score was the third highest at the 1999 Team Trials, securing a spot on the World Team. Alyssa was the silver medalist in the all-around at the 1999 Exxon Gymnastics Cup.

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BLAINE WILSON

HOMETOWN: Columbus, Ohio
RESIDENCE: Colorado Springs, Colo.
DATE OF BIRTH: Aug. 3, 1974

CLUB: Team Texaco—U.S. Olympic Training Center
COACH: Ron Harsh and Václav Mělník
COLLEGE: Attended Ohio State
BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1979

FAVORITE EVENT: Rings
FUN FACTS: Blaine is named after Detroit's great Red Wings and former Dallas Cowboys guard Blaine Nye. Blaine was one of the top soccer players in his hometown but opted to pursue gymnastics.

Blaine won his fourth consecutive national all-around title at the 1992 John Hancock U.S. Championships. He also won the World Team Trials, securing a spot on his third World Championships team. He was a member of the 1992 Olympic Team and earned 15th in the all-around and events on rings.

JOHN

ROETHLISBERGER

HOMETOWN & RESIDENCE: Falcon Heights, Minn.
DATE OF BIRTH: June 21, 1970

COLLEGE: University of Minnesota
COACH: Fred Roethlisberger
Rus Fyrenov, Thom Gierke
BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1978

FAVORITE EVENT: Floor
FUN FACTS: John is named to Kelly McGonell, who is an elementary teacher and former gymnast. John comes from a long line of athletes—his father Fred was a 1968 Olympian and his sister, Miane, was a 1984 Olympian.

John won the all-around silver medal and gold on pommel horse at the 1988 Championships. He also finished second at the World Team Trials, securing a spot on his third World Championships team. He's a two-time Olympian, finishing seventh at the '80 Games, and he's a four-time National Champion.

BRETT MCCLURE

HOMETOWN: All Creek, Wash.
RESIDENCE: Colorado Springs, Colo.
DATE OF BIRTH: Feb. 18, 1981



wilson

CLUB: Team Texaco—U.S. Olympic Training Center
COACH: Ron Harsh and Václav Mělník
BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1989

FAVORITE EVENT: High Bar
FUN FACTS: Brett was introduced to the sport in 1992, when the GoldenBears came to Seattle. He saw 1988 and 1992 Olympian Lance Hingray on floor and decided he wanted to do that, too!

Brett earned third all-around at the 1992 John Hancock U.S. Championships. He was a member of the gold medal team at the 1992 Pan-Am International Team Championships, a inaugural event between the USA, China and Romania. He took second all-around at the 1995 Jr. Pan American Championships.

GUARD YOUNG

HOMETOWN: California City, Calif.
RESIDENCE: Irvine, Calif.
DATE OF BIRTH: June 3, 1977

COLLEGE: Brigham Young University—Senior
COACH: Makoto Sakamoto
BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1987

FAVORITE EVENT: Pommel Horse
FUN FACTS: Guard was named to Alpha Team on April 30, 1998. He has two sisters and one brother. His sister Jessica also attends BYU on a gymnastics scholarship. His father, Wayne, was on the 1995 Olympic Team.

Guard earned fourth all-around and first on vault at the 1998 John Hancock U.S. Championships. Guard won the all-around at the 1998 Championships in the Team 2000 16-15 division. His father

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roethlisberger



Roethlisberger

was a member of the 1976 Olympic Team for gymnastics.

SEAN TOWNSEND

HOMETOWN: Dallas, Texas
RESIDENCE: Houston, Texas
DATE OF BIRTH: Jan. 20, 1970

CLUB: Team Texaco—Houston
COACH: Kevin Minick
COLLEGE: San Jacinto College—Sophomore

BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1988
FAVORITE EVENT: High Bar
FUN FACTS: Sean plays with the Thornton family while living in Houston and training at Team Texaco. Sean has an older sister who is studying to become a nurse and his father is a long-haul truck driver.

Sean earned 10th all-around at the 1992 John Hancock U.S. Championships and finished fourth

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JAMIE DANTZSCHER

HOMETOWN: Palmdale, Calif.

RESIDENCE: San Dimas, Calif.

DATE OF BIRTH: May 5, 1982

CLUB: Elders

COACH: Susan J. Beth, Palmdale

SCHOOL: San Dimas High-

10th grade

BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1989

FAVORITE EVENT: Bars

Fun Facts: Jamie comes from a huge family of seven children. All of her brothers and sisters are involved in athletics—four are gymnasts, including her younger brother Robert.

Jamie finished fifth in the all-around at the 1999 U.S. Championships and tied for the gold medal on bars. Jamie also placed fourth on floor. She was a member of the silver medal team at the 1998 Pan American Games and finished eighth in the all-around.

JEANETTE ANTOLIN

HOMETOWN: Pomona, Calif.

RESIDENCE: Huntington Beach, Calif.

DATE OF BIRTH: Oct. 5, 1981

CLUB: SCATS

COACH: Dan Peters

SCHOOL: Mira High—10th grade

BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1984

FAVORITE EVENT: Bars

Fun Facts: Jeanette is the youngest of three children. Her older sister is a gymnast at Cal State Fullerton. Jeanette plans to compete for UCLA for the 2001 season.

Jeanette's score at the World Team Trials ranked second, earning her a spot on the 1998 World Champ scratch team. Jeanette was the all-around in the 1997 World Team, so especially looks forward to competing this time around in China.

MORGAN WHITE

HOMETOWN: Port Lauderdale, Fla.

RESIDENCE: Fairfield, Ohio

DATE OF BIRTH: June 27, 1983

CLUB: Chiroxam Gymnastics

COACH: Mary Lee Tracy

SCHOOL: Central Christian

Academy—10th grade

BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1988

FAVORITE EVENT: Bars

Fun Facts: Morgan collects coffee mugs from all the states she has traveled. She has two older brothers, a dog and a cat.

Morgan finished seventh all-around at the 1999 Championships. She also won the silver medal on floor and tied for the bronze medal on bars. Morgan at the 1998 Pan American Games. Morgan tied for bronze medal on bars. She's the 1998 Junior National Champion.

ROBIN PHELPS

HOMETOWN: Rockville, Md.

RESIDENCE: Rockville, Md.

DATE OF BIRTH: Dec. 9, 1981

CLUB: Hill's Gymnastics

COACH: Karl Hill

SCHOOL: Magnolia High—10th grade

BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1989

FAVORITE EVENT: Bars

Fun Facts: Robin has an older and a younger sister as well as a Labrador Retriever named Mandy. She enjoys cooking, reading and going-out with friends. Robin finished eighth all-around at the 1999 Junior National U.S. Championships. She finished sixth all-around at the 1999 Ontario Cup and the 1998 Panamerican International. Robin earned a third place finish at the 1999 U.S. Classic.

TASHA

SCHWIKERT

HOMETOWN &

RESIDENCE:

Las Vegas, Nev.

DATE OF BIRTH:

Nov. 21, 1984

CLUB: Olympic

COACH: Gasser Poon

July Clinic

SCHOOL: Home

School—10th grade

BEGAN GYMNASTICS:

1982

FAVORITE EVENT: Floor

Fun Facts: Tasha comes from an athletic family. Her mom and aunt have played tennis professionally, her dad played basketball and of her sister, Janique, is a gymnast.

Tasha finished ninth in the 1999 Championships. She also placed fourth on vault and fifth on bars. She competed in the 1999 Dora Cup in Italy and took second all-around, first on floor and third on bars.

STEPHANIE CARTER

HOMETOWN & RESIDENCE:

Brigh Arden, Pa.

DATE OF BIRTH: Oct. 17, 1982

CLUB: Woodhills

COACH: Troy Miller, Janet Harman

Shen Johnson

SCHOOL: Brigh Arden Church School

—10th grade

BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1999

FAVORITE EVENT: Bars

Fun Facts: Stephanie is the fourth of five children in her family. All of her siblings play sports including lacrosse, wrestling, soccer, baseball, field hockey and, of course, gymnastics.

Stephanie finished 10th all-around at the 1999 Championships. Her score also ranked 10th best in the World Team Trials. Stephanie's first pass on floor at the World Team Trials was a double twisting double back, noting her the first American woman to compete this skill in an elite level competition.

AMY CHOW

HOMETOWN & RESIDENCE:

San Jose, Calif.

DATE OF BIRTH: May 15, 1979

CLUB: West Valley Gym School

COACH: Mark Young, Denise Arnes

SCHOOL: Stanford University-Junior

BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1981

FAVORITE EVENT: Bars

Fun Facts: Amy is studying pre-med at Stanford University and would like to become a pediatrician. She members a 4-0 grade point average and is also an accomplished pianist.

Amy was a member of the first ever gold medal Olympic gymnastics team in 1992. She also earned the silver medal in her favorite event, bars. Amy was a member of the 1994 World Championships team that won a silver medal. She was also a member of the 1999 Individual World World Championships team.



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all-around at the World Team Trials, securing a spot on the U.S. World Team. Sean finished ninth all-around at the 1988 Goodwill Games and was a member of the 1989 World University Games team.

JAY THORNTON

HOMETOWN: Augusta, Ga.
RESIDENCE: Colorado Springs, Colo.
DATE OF BIRTH: Sept. 9, 1974
CLUB: Team Russia—U.S. Olympic Training Center
COACH: Ron Brand and Vasily Martynch
COLLEGE: Attended University of Iowa
BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1982
FAVORITE EVENT: High Bar and Floor
TEAM FACTS: Jay was named Nov. 27, 1986 to Minnesota's Moody. He had two brothers and two sisters, one of each are involved in gymnastics. Jay enjoys playing guitar and riding motorcycles when not in the gym. Jay earned sixth all-around at the 1989 John Hancock U.S. Championships and finished seventh at the World Team Trials. He earned the alternate position to the 1989 World Championships team. Jay won the silver medal on floor at the 1989 Goodwill Games and was a member of the 1987 World Championships team.

YEWKUI TOMITA

HOMETOWN & RESIDENCE: Tucson, Ariz.
DATE OF BIRTH: Mar. 15, 1960
CLUB: Gymnastics World
COACH: Yoko Tomita
COLLEGE: University of Arizona—Flagstaff
BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1982
FAVORITE EVENT: Rings and Vault
TEAM FACTS: Yevki is coached by his father, Yoko, the 1988 U.S. Men's Olympic Team assistant coach and a former U.S. National Team member (1979-83). He has two sisters. He enjoys eating waffles, golfing and playing basketball in his spare time. Yevki earned seventh all-around at the 1989 John Hancock U.S. Championships and placed as third in the rankings at the World Team Trials, earning a spot on the U.S. World Championships team. He won the bronze medal on pommel horse at the 1989 Goodwill Games.

CHRIS YOUNG

HOMETOWN: Winston Salem, N.C.
RESIDENCE: Colorado Springs, Colo.
DATE OF BIRTH: Feb. 1, 1973

CLUB: Team Russia—U.S. Olympic Training Center
COACH: Ron Brand and Vasily Martynch
COLLEGE: Attended University of Minnesota
BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1983
FAVORITE EVENT: High Bar

TEAM FACTS: Chris is a multi-talented athlete. In addition to winning the Junior National All-Around Championships, he also placed seventh in basketball and competed in track and field in high school.

Chris finished eighth all-around at the 1989 Championships and moved to fifth in the rankings after the World Team Trials, earning a spot on the U.S. World Championships team. He was a member of the silver medal-winning 1989 Pan American team. Chris won floor at the 1988 Acropolis Cup where he also earned silver on pommel horse and vault and a bronze on high bar.

STEPHEN MCGAIN

HOMETOWN: Houston, Texas
RESIDENCE: Colorado Springs, Colo.
DATE OF BIRTH: Jan. 9, 1974
CLUB: Team Russia—U.S. Olympic Training Center
COACH: Ron Brand and Vasily Martynch
COLLEGE: Attended UCLA
BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1984
FAVORITE EVENT: High Bar

TEAM FACTS: Steve has appeared in a television commercial for Mohr and would like to pursue a career in business. He enjoys music, mountain skiing, dogs and computers. Stephen earned ninth all-around at the 1989 Championships and moved to sixth at the World Team Trials, earning a spot on the U.S. World Championships team. He was a member of the 1989 silver medal-winning Pan American Games team. He won the bronze medal on high bar at the 1987 Pan American Cup.



JOHN MACGREADY

HOMETOWN: Los Angeles, Calif.
RESIDENCE: Colorado Springs, Colo.
DATE OF BIRTH: April 29, 1975
CLUB: Team Russia—U.S. Olympic Training Center
COACH: Ron Brand and Vasily Martynch
COLLEGE: University of Colorado
BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1981
FAVORITE EVENT: Pommel Horse
TEAM FACTS: Macgready would like to break into the entertainment industry. He comes by this naturally since his father is a producer/director and the mother is an actress. John is active in community service and has done work with the Make a Wish Foundation. John was a member of the 1989 Olympic Team. He's a two-time World Championships team member including the 1985 and 1987 events. He earned 12th all-around at the 1989 John Hancock U.S. Championships and moved to sixth in the rankings after World Team Trials.

PAUL HAMM

HOMETOWN & RESIDENCE: Wakefield, Wis.
DATE OF BIRTH: Sept. 24, 1960



CLUB: Swiss Turners
COACH: Stacy McKinley and Aiden Ryan
SCHOOL: Wakefield South High—11th grade
BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1980
FAVORITE EVENT: All
TEAM FACTS: Paul has a twin brother, Margit, who won the 1988 Junior All-Around title at the John Hancock U.S. Championships. The brothers have an older sister, Stacy, who is a college gymnast and their father was an All-American diver.

Paul earned 13th all-around at the 1989 John Hancock U.S. Championships and moved to 10th after the World Team Trials. Paul was a member of the gold medal-winning Junior team at the 1985 Pacific International Team Championships. He also took first in the all-around.

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MARLINE STEPHENS

HOMETOWN & RESIDENCE:

Houston, Texas

DATE OF BIRTH: Aug. 3, 1982

CLUB: Brown's Gymnastics

COACH: Debbie Katschuck,

Alexander Alexandrov

SCHOOL: Westfield High—12th grade

BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1989

FAVORITE EVENT: Vault

FUN FACTS: Marline has a younger sister. Marline's father is a doctor. Marline enjoys talking on the phone, shopping and rollerblading in her spare time.

Marline finished 17th all-around at the 1998 Championships. She also won the silver medal on vault. Marline took first all-around at the 1997 Junior Pacific Alliance Championships and won vault and floor.

MY-LAN DODD

HOMETOWN & RESIDENCE:

Scotts Bluff

DATE OF BIRTH: Mar. 2, 1983

CLUB: Cascade Elite Gymnastics

COACH: Frank Lee

SCHOOL: Roosevelt High—11th grade

BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1998

FUN FACTS: My-Lan's name is pronounced MEE-lem. She's the third of five children. Her favorite subject in school is Spanish.

My-Lan finished 12th all-around at the 1999 Championships. At last year's same competition, My-Lan finished 20th, grabbing the last spot on the national team. My-Lan enjoys swim ming, when not in the gym, and maintains a 3.5 grade point average.

ANNABETH EBERLE

HOMETOWN & RESIDENCE:

Reno, Nev.

DATE OF BIRTH: April 14, 1983

CLUB: Star Gymnastics and Circus

COACH: Darci Modderbach

SCHOOL: Galena High—11th grade

BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1998

FAVORITE EVENT: Beam and Floor

FUN FACTS: Annabeth has a younger sister. Annie. The girls love the taste of having a sports uniform as their most. Annabeth maintains a 3.8 grade point average.

Annabeth finished 15th all-around and fifth on vault at the 1999 Championships. She won bronze medals on vault and beam and the silver medal on floor at the 1997 Puerto Rico Cup. She was 17th all-around at the 1998 Championships.

ERRIN DOOLEY

HOMETOWN & RESIDENCE:

Gaffneyburg, Md.

DATE OF BIRTH: July 23, 1982

CLUB: Hill's Gymnastics

COACH: Rob Hill and Jan Bundy

SCHOOL: Gaffneyburg High—

12th grade

BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1997

FAVORITE EVENT: Beam

FUN FACTS: Errin has an older sister and two younger brothers. She enjoys collecting pens and spending time with her family when she's not in the gym. Errin finished 12th all-around at the 1999 Championships and also placed fourth on beam and sixth on floor. Errin helped the U.S. team earn the silver medal at the 1998 Pan-Am International Team meet.

LINDSAY WING

HOMETOWN & RESIDENCE:

Rockville, Md.

DATE OF BIRTH: Jan. 21, 1982

CLUB: Hill's Gymnastics

COACH: Rob Hill and Jan Bundy

SCHOOL: Maguerite High—10th grade

BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1997

FAVORITE EVENT: AJ

FUN FACTS: Lindsay comes from a big sports family. Her dad played international baseball, mom played tennis and volleyball, sister Jacque was a Level 9 gymnast who now plays volleyball, and brother Brady plays baseball and soccer.

Lindsay finished 14th all-around at the 1999 Championships. She finished eighth all-around in prelims at the 1998 Visa American Cup and won the gold medal on vault and bars at the 1997 Caribbean Cup.

MONIQUE CHANG

HOMETOWN & RESIDENCE:

Palmdale Station, Va.

DATE OF BIRTH: April 22, 1984

CLUB: Capital Gymnastics

Training Center

COACH: Trina Petross,

Debbie Melnikov, Vicky Vento

SCHOOL: Robinson Secondary—

12th grade

BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1990

FAVORITE EVENT: Floor

FUN FACTS: Monique has an older sister who plays volleyball and tennis and a younger sister who is a swimmer. The girls attend Chinese School and Harman Math Center. Monique finished 18th all-around at the 1999 Championships and won the bronze medal on floor. She earned fourth place all-around at last year's Championships in the junior division. She won a gold and two



silver medals at the 1998 Jr. Pan American Championships.

CARRI NAGLE

HOMETOWN & RESIDENCE:

Whitfield, Pa.

DATE OF BIRTH: June 6, 1983

CLUB: Pelekettes

COACH: Debi and Donna Sossau

SCHOOL: Whitfield-Copley

School—11th grade

grade point average and volleyball is her favorite subject. She enjoys shopping and surfing the Internet. Carr finished 17th all-around at the 1998 Championships. She finished sixth all-around in the junior division at the 1997 Championships and was a member of the gold medal team at the 1997 Jr. Pacific Alliance Championships.

KATIE HARDMAN

HOMETOWN & RESIDENCE:

Houston, Texas

DATE OF BIRTH: Dec. 1, 1983

CLUB: National Elite Gymnastics

COACH: Jeff Deal and Mark England

SCHOOL: Home School—10th grade

BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1990

FAVORITE EVENT: Beam and Floor

FUN FACTS: Katie has two younger sisters. She enjoys reading, playing games, and doing science projects and brain puzzles.

Katie finished 10th all-around at the 1999 Junior Pan-Am Cup.

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Championships and took fifth place on floor. She took 15th all-around at the 1988 U.S. Championships.

MARIE FJORDHOLM

HOMETOWN: Miami Fla.
RESIDENCE: Fresno, Texas
DATE OF BIRTH: Oct. 13, 1963
CLUB: World Olympic Gymnastics
COACH: Mike Lugin and Nadia Menecova
SCHOOL: Home School—10th grade
BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1968
FAVORITE EVENT: Floor
FUN FACTS: Marie has three younger sisters who all participate in gymnastics. Mariela died when a gymnast for Norway and her name was on NFL cheerleader for the Miami Dolphins. Marie finished 19th all-around at the 1988 U.S. Championships and won the bronze medal on vault. She was 17th all-around at the 1988 U.S. Championships in the junior division.

DANA PERCE

HOMETOWN & RESIDENCE: Alhambra, Ind.
DATE OF BIRTH: June 26, 1963
CLUB: Wright's Gymnastics
COACH: Bob Wright, Michele Hart, Peter Zhao
SCHOOL: Western Boone High—10th grade
BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1982
FAVORITE EVENT: Floor
FUN FACTS: Dana has one older brother and one younger brother and sister. Her dad coached rarely.

profession and her mother takes care of her high school.

Dana made the national team for the first time at the 1988 U.S. Championships, which was also her last National Championships competition. She had her best finish ever at the 1988 U.S. Classic where she placed fourth all-around.

UNRANKED

ANGELA BEAM

HOMETOWN & RESIDENCE: Warren, Ohio
DATE OF BIRTH: Oct. 25, 1963
CLUB: Red Corner Gymnastics
COACH: Paula and Adriana Pop, Jimmy Foster, Howard
SCHOOL: Home School—10th grade
BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1968
FAVORITE EVENT: Beam and Floor
FUN FACTS: Angela won second on vault at the 1988 Canada Cup and second on floor at the 1988 China Meet.

KENDALL BECK

HOMETOWN: San Antonio, Texas
RESIDENCE: Alhambra, Ind.
DATE OF BIRTH: Aug. 9, 1963
CLUB: Telekosta
COACH: Dennis Struempfer
SCHOOL: 12th grade
BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1980
FAVORITE EVENT: Vault
FUN FACTS: Kendall was a member of the 1987 World Championships team. She has four dogs and six cats.

MICHELLE EMMONS

HOMETOWN & RESIDENCE: Houston, Texas
DATE OF BIRTH: April 29, 1963
CLUB: Bravetti Gymnastics
COACH: Debbie Haskett-Gask
SCHOOL: West Houston High—11th grade
BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1980
FAVORITE EVENT: Floor
FUN FACTS: Michelle finished seventh all-around in the junior division of the 1988 National Championships. She's the younger of two children in her family.

SIERRA SAPUNAR

HOMETOWN & RESIDENCE: Wyoming, Ohio
DATE OF BIRTH: Jan. 31, 1962
CLUB: Greenleaf Gymnastics
COACH: Mary Lee Tracy
SCHOOL: Wyoming High—12th grade
BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1967
FAVORITE EVENT: Floor
FUN FACTS: Sierra won the all-around bronze medal at the 1988 Pacific Alliance and took third on bars at the Moscow Stars. Sierra comes from an athlete family—dad was a wrestler and tumbling champion in high school and mom was a nationally ranked tennis player.

BRITTANY SMITH

HOMETOWN: Houston, Texas
RESIDENCE: Parkers, Ohio
DATE OF BIRTH: Oct. 30, 1963
CLUB: Charnell Gymnastics
COACH: Mary Lee Tracy
SCHOOL: Parkers High—10th grade
BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1987
FAVORITE EVENT: Beam
FUN FACTS: Brittany earned the all-around silver medal at the 1987

Exxon Cup. Brittany maintains a 4.0 grade point average at school.

KRISTEN STUCKY

HOMETOWN: Milwaukee, Wis.
RESIDENCE: Menomonee Falls, Wis.
DATE OF BIRTH: Feb. 27, 1962
CLUB: Sals Gymnastics
COACH: Dr. Jim Chudy
SCHOOL: Milwaukee Lutheran High—11th grade
BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1986
FAVORITE EVENT: Beam and Floor
FUN FACTS: Kristen has a younger and older sister. She maintains a 4.0 grade point average at school. She took second all-around at the 1988 U.S. Classic.

KIM ZMESKAL

HOMETOWN: Houston, Texas
RESIDENCE: Cincinnati, Ohio
DATE OF BIRTH: Feb. 6, 1960
CLUB: Charnell Gymnastics
COACH: Mary Lee Tracy
BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1982
FAVORITE EVENT: Floor
FUN FACTS: Kim is a three-time National Champion and the first American to win the all-around at a World Championships (1986). She earned two gold medals at the 1982 World Championships and a team bronze at the 1982 Olympic. Kim was recently married to Chris Surkotte on Oct. 26 at the Masjid an-Nabi in Texas.



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SCOTT VETERE

HOMETOWN: Farmington Pa.
RESIDENCE: Ann Arbor, Mich.
DATE OF BIRTH: Sept. 4, 1970
COLLEGE: University of Michigan—Southfield

COACH: Kurt Goldner and Mike Burns
BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1988
FAVORITE EVENT: All-Around
RUN FACTS: Scott is the cousin of these children in his family. He participated in not only gymnastics, but also track and baseball. He did played football and track and has later participated in gymnastics and volleyball.

Scott earned 12th all-around at the 1989 John Hancock U.S. Championships. He was the Big 10 Freshman of the Year in 1989 and a finalist in NCAA All-American. He placed third on rings and eighth all-around at the 1989 NCAA Championships.

JIM FOODY

HOMETOWN: Addison, Ill.
RESIDENCE: Los Angeles, Calif.
DATE OF BIRTH: April 7, 1974
COLLEGE: UCLA—graduated in 1997

COACH: Doug Mosey
BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1978
FAVORITE EVENT: High Bar
RUN FACTS: Jim enjoys playing sports and riding motorcycles when he's not in the gym. He graduated from UCLA in 1997 and would like to possibly work for ESPN some day. Jim earned 13th all-around at the 1989 John Hancock U.S. Championships and World Team Trials. He was the alternate to the 1987 World Championships team. Jim won floor and took second on high bar at the 1988 Ohio Cup. He also won the Junior medal on high bar at the 1988 Clonschi Cup.

DOUG STIBEL

HOMETOWN: Canton, Mich.
RESIDENCE: Columbus, Ohio
DATE OF BIRTH: April 16, 1976
CLUB: Ohio State—Senior
COACH: Miles Avery

FAVORITE EVENT: High Bar
RUN FACTS: Doug has two older brothers, Keith and Dan. He enjoys golfing and riding motorcycles when he's not in the gym. Doug earned 14th all-around and tied for second on high bar at the 1989 John Hancock U.S. Championships. He won high bar and finished 18th all-around at the



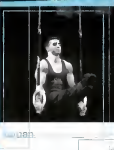
same event in 1987. Doug finished 18th all-around and seventh on high bar at the 1988 NCAA Championships.

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TRENT WELLS

HOMETOWN: Mason, Ore.
RESIDENCE: Berkeley, Calif.
DATE OF BIRTH: July 27, 1974
COLLEGE: University of California—Berkeley

COACH: Barry Winter
BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1984
FAVORITE EVENT: High Bar
RUN FACTS: He has three brothers and a sister. He was a member of the NCAA champion Golden Bears team. He finished fourth on parallel bars at the 1988 Goodwill Games. Trent was a member of the gold medal winning team at the 1989 International Team Championships. He finished fourth all-around at the 1989 Winter Cup and was seventh at the 1989 John Hancock U.S. Championships.



JUSTIN TOMAN

HOMETOWN: Maryland
RESIDENCE: Ann Arbor, Mich.
DATE OF BIRTH: May 19, 1970
CLUB: University of Michigan—Junior
COACH: Kurt Goldner and Mike Burns
BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1984
FAVORITE EVENT: High Bar and Parallel Bars

RUN FACTS: Justin is a student in the College of Knowledge at the University of Michigan. He's a two-time Connecticut State Champion in 1989 and 1990 and the New England Class B Champion in 1994. He enjoys golf in his spare time. Justin finished 14th all-around at the 1989 World Team Trials. He was a member of the 1989 World University Games team. He took fourth on floor and won the bronze medal on rings at the 1989 Second Annual RASZ Competition in Mexico.

JASON GATSON

HOMETOWN: Upland, Calif.
RESIDENCE: Colorado Springs, Colo.
DATE OF BIRTH: June 25, 1980
CLUB: Team Tiesco
U.S. Olympic Training Center: Coach: Ron Bent and Vicky Marneth
COLLEGE: University of Colorado—Fountain

BEGAN GYMNASTICS: 1989
FAVORITE EVENT: All-Around
RUN FACTS: Jason scored a perfect 10.0 on floor at the 1999 Winter Cup Challenge. He enjoys swimming, basketball, drawing and computers in his spare time. Jason earned the all-around silver medal at the 1989 All-American Cup. He won the silver medal on floor at each of the 1989 Swiss Cup and 1990 Cup. In 1997 he was the youngest athlete to ever make a U.S. men's World Championships team at age 17.



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The 1999 Women's Jr. Olympic National Team (the top 22 level 10s in the USA) spent their pre-season vacation week-end in the USA. They were invited to participate in a training camp of the U.S. Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs. The Olympic National Program Committee Chairman, Tom Koll was the camp director, assisted by Corrie Holman, National Women's J.O. Program Manager. The coaching staff of Neil Edwards (Head), John Gackert (Head), Patty Edwards (Floor), Linda Barton-Wood (Floor), Vladimir Antonov (Trampoline), and Tony Biggs (Beam, Floor, Conditioning & Flexibility) was positive, motivating and ready to share their expertise with both the athletes and coaches.

The staff presented the following athletes with special camp awards: "Air Jordan" award on Vault-Lough Dacan (ISCSA) for her unbelievable height and clearance, Best Nerveless vault - Amber Gargano (Zelivara), Greatest Explorer on Bars-Tara Loannson (ISCSA), Air Pommel-Pumpkin Champs (Mehmet Akif Akademi), Best Handstand in Bars-Chryse Mantele (Amel), Best Bars on Beam-Kristy Rowe (Acrofit), Most Technical Improvement-Kenneth Chaco Kellany, Most Expressive Dancer-Ariel Bartholmer (Acrofit), Most Dynamic Jump-Liane Ackerman (Gymnastics Village), Most Powerful Tumbler-Stephanie Green (Illness Gymnastics Institute), Pumped Ever J.O. National Team member (just turned) DJ-Kassie Frost (American Festival) and the Spirit of Gymnastics Award-Chris Morille, who had a leg injury prior to camp but worked hard and conditioning relentlessly. The other camp participants were Jennifer Bailey (Rite City Sentinel), Megan Gans (Lexco Bar of Toronto), Jessica Gayer (Buckeye), Shelby Harris (Juniata USA), Intercontinental (Midwest Gymnastics), Katie Krato (American Festival), Amanda Mueller (Gala), Chelsea Plouffe (Rite City), Courtney Price (Midwest Academy), Katie Saffers (Midwest Academy), Krystal Steiner (New University of Alabama), Jackie Sumner (Newspaper Academy), Katie Taylor (Rite City-W), and Theresa Wilson (Gold Cup).



Congratulations are in order for several J.O. Team members who chose to move into the elite program and were not able to attend camp: Tanya Humphreys and Amanda Green (Great American Gymnastics Exports) who qualified to U.S. Championships and Ian Wynn (Dynamo OR) who qualified to U.S. Classic. We would also like to acknowledge several other members of the J.O. National Team who were unable to attend the camp due to school commitments: Ashley McHenry (Rite City), Bridgette Glass (Golden Gate), Christy Linder (Tumble City) and Lindsay Meier (Champion CO).

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